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COLLISIONS AT SEA.

This has peen a record spring it the number of collisions at sea, undoubtedly for the reason that it has been a record year for fogs. The warm gales off shore, the shifting of the Gulf stream and the erratic course of icebergs all have assisted in creating baffling mists.

Yet a fog is not a hidden foe of hipping, although it hides dangers. The captains see the fogs and take their own risk when they run through them at any speed. The time is not far distant when fogs will cease to be a great danger at sea. Wireless apparatus will show each ship the location of every other ship within a radius of fifty miles. Then the fog peril will be of small

But in the meantime the masters do not seem to be using the caution that is prescribed not only by the law of the sea but by common sense. They are not content to loaf and blow their horns. They are apt to been in the capacity of party chief in leave caution to the other fellow and make time.

Caution is the one word in the whole matter, but some of the masters appear to have forgotten the word. There have been too many crashes in the last month to blame them all on coincidence.

TALK SOMETIMES PAYS

go into the business on its own ac- his own opinions. He saw fit to dis- weak nor a furtive man is regarded

As a result, some impressive refor the light service for 1915, in The Philadelphia Electric Company the purpose of passing the Adminisnow holds the great contract for this tration's series of anti-trust laws. service, at \$81.21 per carbon arc amp. Yesterday when bids were opened on a contract for 3,000 lamps of the party point to no other confound that the Equitable Light and l'ower Company had proposed the figure of \$67. Moreover, the Equi- it be assumed that in the fall electable announced that if awarded the contract it would magnetite lamps half its majority in the House: what instead of the ordinary carbon arc explained, produced about half more ight than the carbon arc.

Still another concern submitted a promptly thrown out on the ground of irregularity because it was not accompanied by the required bond. The Equitable Company's bid was protested, because that company has not perfected its corporate organization. It is explained that the company is in process of formation in anticipation of completing its plans if it is able to get a contract that nomination can be taken away from preserved in the elections and in will justify it in going ahead.

pany's bid of \$81.21 is the same fig- having." Which is an excellent epi- that the Huerta party has anything ure on which it is now furnishing gram, but not at all consistent with to gain by breaking up the mediahights. If possible competitors can the facts that are developing all tion; yet it is also apparent that they be swept as de on various technical around, day by day. There may be intend to do just that. The Washinggrounds, the city will be privileged no overt attack on Wilson control ton Government takes the ground to go right on paying excessive in the next convention; but the fact that constitutionalist supremacy is prices; Philadelphia seems rather to remains that the forces are today now inevitable. If it can be brought like that sort of thing, anyhow. But taking positions in preparation for about without unnecessary bloodthe answer will be found in a rising the possibility of such an attack; if shed and travail, all the better; but tide of public ownership sentiment. business and political developments if it cannot, then the war will have The community will not easily be are such as to justify it, the attack to go ahead. convinced that there is good and suf- will be made. ficient reason for it to go on paying 20 per cent more than it need pay, THE FIGHT ON TAMMANY merely in order that a favored concern may continue piling up big profits. Convinced at last that there York Democracy is really in favor Canal never before exhibited in this is no surcease from such extortions of Tammany is the question undershort of public ownership, the people lying the discussion which the Emwill find means to take matters in pire State Democratic leaders have been on the Isthmus for a number of mander for the District of Columbia;

local service companies. There might avowedly a Tammany and the other have been adjustment and accommo- just as frankly an anti-Tammany agdation, to the reasonable satisfaction gregation. This would force a lineof the public, if the gas, electric, and up and a test of strength between car companies could have seen their the two factions of the party. way to give the community a reasontrative authorities have been forced

not do the business. ownership always arises. The peosults lies in public ownership.

MR. UNDERWOOD'S VIEW.

Very clearly, all is not harmony among the leaders of the Democratic party in their views of the legislaboth business and political interests. leader of the House, with the declaration that the appropriation bills cught to be passed as soon as possible and then adjournment should be taken. He would give the mem- of patronage as nothing else does, after their political affairs, returning cipline. to Washington immediately after election for a special session that would merge into the December session. This would give four months in which the old Congress could attend to the general legislative pro-

after election. The House leader thus aligns him self squarely against the party lead- forms to the administration of the er. It is a significant division, though Mr. Underwood's defection is perhaps less important than it would be if he were going to remain as floor manager of the House in the next Congress. As a new Senator he will be, for a time at least, a much less potential person than he has

Mr. Underwood has at no time underrated the responsibilities of his own very important position. He has not felt it either his duty or his interest to submerge his own opinions in those of the Administration's head. We have come upon times in which Presidents proclaim themselves the leaders of their parties. That was the attitude of Mr. Taft, neutrals, at this stage of such a Over in Philadelphia, as has been who was wont to call himself the struggle, could not well be found noted heretofore, they have been in- "titular" leader; it is the attitude of who could command anybody's concairing into the propriety and the Mr. Wilson, who drops out the quali- lidence. The man who can remain economics of establishing a munici- fying adjective. Mr. Underwood neutral colorless, opinionless to this pally owned electric lighting plant to takes his own part in the party distage of such a national upheaval. illuminate the streets. The discus- rection just as seriously. He has must be either a weak man or one sion has gone so far as consideration been chosen to the titular leadership who has had reasons for suppressing of somewhat detailed facts and fig- of the majority in the House, and his convictions in the hope of gainures about the terms on which light he does not deem it fitting or neces- ing some advantage by reason of could be produced if the city should sary in that position to surrender all keeping them in the dark. Neither a agree just as sharply as possible by Washington as the right one for with the President in the matter of this exigency. ductions are being made in the bids canal tolls, and he now places himself similarly in opposition to the

Democratic convention of 1916?

which bids are now being received, program of all-summer session for from the country; and his regime is These various divergences of pol icy and opinion among the leaders ists as being, on the whole, as fair a in one section of the city, it was clusion than that the seeds of dis- pathies proved to be with the ciencord are being sown. Rather, sown long ago, they are bearing fruit. Let parc a set of conditions in which tions the Democratic party shall lose Presidency. will be the effect en development of

lamps. The magnetite lamp, it was Democratic political tendencies? Is that the military successes of the it not obvious that the breach al- constitutionalists have shown them ready opened between the same ele- the really dominant party in the ments that set themselves apart at country; therefore it declines to see oid of \$37 per lamp, which was the Baltimore convention, will become them handicapped at the outset. Cerwider and more marked, and that tainly this seems altogether reasonthere will be every prospect of a able. If mediation fails and if the real struggle for control of the United States does not intervene, there is little uncertainty about the It is well enough to insist that result. Villa and Carranza will end the Democrats must stand or fall by the war in the streets of Mexico the record of Wilson; that they must City, triumphant; they will become win with him or not win at all. It the provisional government; they will has been observed that "if the next make sure that their interests are Mr. Wilson, nobody will want to take other business under the temporary The Philadelphia Electric Com- it because it will not be worth the administration. It is not apparent

Press Club to Witness

Whether a majority of the New country will be shown the members of their own hands and get to the one been holding at the metropolis. The solution that promises to protect their interests.

It is Philadelphia's phase of the properties of the problem that Washington has two tickets be placed on the ballot in the problem that the coming primary, one frankly and the listhmus for a number of years, assisting in putting in the big steel locks of the canal. The collection of lantern slides is a prized possession of Mr. Furiong and his firm, and was made for the personal use of the canal transported in the work.

The exhibition will begin at 8:30 o'clock. More than an hour will be required to show the views.

The people who dislike to make able measure of the consideration it such an open test of factional demanded. But every suggestion of strength have taken the ground that concession to the public interest the primary ought to be a wide-open has been answered with protests go-as-you-please affair, with as many that the thing was impossible, and cundidate; as chose to enter, and no now both the public and the adminis- effort to preserve a factional alignment. This was the Tammany probe adopted. The anti-Tammany That is how the demand for public forces take the position that Tammany can always be relied on to pie learn at last that regulation will "stick" at the election, because it has not accomplish the results; that its everything to gain and nothing to processes are too cumbrous, its pos- lose through regularity; whereas the sibilities of delay and maneuvering insurgents within the party are litoo manifold. The short cut to re- able to bolt to some other ticket if there is too much Tammany flavor about the ticket as nominated.

The proposal of a two-ticket primary, on factional lines, would at least give an interesting view of the real sentiments of the mass of Democrats in the State. If Tamtive program which should be ex- many, in its present reduced estate, ecuted at the present session. The should carry the primary it would President has laid down his demand be a very conclusive demonstration for continuous session until the of its power. There is by no means whole trust program shall have been assurance that Tammany would not written into the law. Against this do that very thing. The Hall, in seathere has been protest on behalf of son and out, is strong in the affections and the confidence of a vast Now comes Oscar Underwood, floor rody of New York Democrats. They know that the Hall gets them into trouble and under suspicion from time to time, but they know also that it represents the cohesive power bers a chance to go home and look and they rely on it to maintain dis

COLLAPSE OF MEDIATION

When the mediators at Niagara Falls had reached substantial agreement on the plan to create an ad gram, and would postpone it until interin government for Mexico, under which a general election should be held to bring back constitutional country, the Huerta delegates were still in line. They were willing that the ad interim government should be established. Huerta would retire in its favor.

But-end it was the insurmount able but-the Huerta agents insisted that the ad interim government should be "neutral;" it must not represent either side in the present contest for military and political su-

To this the constitutionalists would not agree; and the latest development places the Washington Government squarely on the side of the constitutionalists. Washington takes the view in the statement made by our delegates in the conference, that

Mr. de la Barra served as provisional President after Diaz retired commonly charged with responsibility for the failure of Madero. He was accepted by the constitutionalman as could be found; but his symtificos and he used his office to pre-Madero's position was well-nigh impossible from the beginning of his

Washington takes the ground now

Canal in Stereopticon

Stereopticon views of the Panama

Truths By Women Who Know Teaching Men the Science of Penology Prison Reform Committee

Woman's part in prison reform is no longer merely that of visiting, clothing, and feeding convicts. Realizing that an opportunity for reform is the important matter to the prisoner, the woman's to the conclusion that regulation will gram and doubtless it will finally department of the National Civic Federation has taken up the subject

> Mrs. Francis McNeil Bacon, president of the prison reform committee, has been long an active worker in the federation. She points to the bureau's endeavor to eliminate sentiment and politics, to develop modern correctional institutions and State-wide use of prison labor, to secure just compensation for all prisoners, establishment of prison industrial schools, and specialized treatment for vagrants, inebriates, feeble-minded and youthful misdemeanants.

> A big program of legislative and administrative reform has been worked out by these woman, whom some think are better fitted for this work than men.

> > By MRS. PRANCIS MeNEIL BACON, JR.

According to the census of 1919, there were 1% prisoners for every 100,000 of our population. The ratio however, was \$25 to each 100,000 of our citizens, which means that the entire number convicted, upon whom prison sentences were imposed during the single year, amounted to 479,763 people.

This prison population in 1910, which has not decreased since then, shows a population as large as that States, and was greater that the combined populations of Wyoming, Nevada, Alaska, and Delaware.

It is great, too, in its cost. It has been estimated that the average cost been estimated that the average cost of the machinery necessary to secure a single conviction for crims is \$1,500. Therefore, it would perhaps seem conservative if we said that the commitments of this country, in a single year, cost the United States \$500,000,000.

In New York State alone over-

100,006 persons are committed to State prisons, jai's and penitentiar-ies in the course of a year. Over 20,000 of this number are women. These figures do not include children These figures do not include children under sixteen years of age.

Not so many years ago, when one talked of prison reform and women's part in it, one thought of the women who visited prisoners in correctional institutions and sought to impress on the individual prisoner the error of his way, and the sense of his shortcomings. Bibles and wear on release were given, and the prisoner was urged to write to his relatives and friends. The visi-tors tried to turn the prisoner's mind to a realization of the error of his or her way and the advisabil-

Opportunity For Reform. Many splendid, self-sacrificing women gave their time, energy, and money to this work, and effected

much good through these means.

Today, however, women in all walks of life are moving out into larger spheres of usefulness. They are realizing that, while work of the above character is still necessary for the individual, his reforma-tion means more than his desire to do right-that it is bound up with his ability, his opportunity to do so. Considering the great number of and the number of people who are directly and indirectly interested in this subject, do you wonder that women have become active in prison in a more vital and broad is evidenced by the activity of the woman's department of the National Civic Federation, an organization of women with a large view of their social responsibility. This creaniza-tion, in taking up the subject of prison reform nationally, did so without the sentimentality that has so often marked the endeavors of

THE YOUNG LADY

ACROSS THE WA

The young lady across the

way says she saw in the paper

that one of the aviators was

going to undertake a transat-

lantic flight but she was glad

to say nothing was said about

his trying to go all the way

across and she did hope he'd

Address War Veterans

A good attendance is expected at to-

night's meeting of Gen. Leonard Wood

Garrison, No. &, Army and Navy

Union, at Grand Army Hall. Comrades

of other garrisons have been invited to attend the meeting, at which Lieut.

Charles M. Maigne, U. S. A., retired,

will talk of the army and navy occu-

pation of Vera Cruz and his recent ex-

Gen, H. Oden Lake, commander-in-

chief of the Army and Navy Union;

Col. John McElroy, department com-

Gen. John A. Johnston, U. S. A. re-

tired, former Commissioner; Secretary

of the Navy Daniels; Gen. Washington

Gardner, commander-in-chief of the G. A. R.; Gen. John Lewis Smith, com-mander-in-chief of the United Spanish

War Veterans, and possibly General Wood, are expected to be present.

lieut. C. M. Maigne to

stay near shore.

periences in Mexico.

women in this line in the past. One step taken by several sections was to make a survey of the existing or-ganizations, both Government and voluntary, which were dealing with the problem of prison reform.

Line of Endeavor. As a result of this survey two conferences and a mass receting were held, at which the following, among other things, were discuss

among other things, were discussed:

1—The elimination of politics from the management of correctional institutions.

2—The development of farm industrial prisons and other modern correctional institutions.

3—The development of the Stateuse system of prison labor throughout the country in order to develop the best that is in the prisoner and at the same time conserve the interest of the State.

interest of the State.

4—Co-operation to secure Federal legislation which will make possible an effective State-use sys-

possible an effective State-use system in every State.

5—The application of proper rules regarding just compensation of prisoners in all correctional institutions, with a view of creating an interest in the prisoner in his work, and sense of responsibility for the support of himself and his family and ability of providing such support.

such support.
6—The establishment and improvement of prison schools for instruction in elementary subjects in correlation with industrial ed--Specialized treatment tramps, vagrants, inebriates feeble-minded, and youthful mis-

demeanants.
The definite outcome of these meetings was the formation of a joint committee on prison reform, which has worked out a big program of lexislative and administrative re-forms. The committee includes rep-resentatives of fifteen organizations erested in this subje Why Men Fail.

One of the most interesting statements made at the conferences was that of Dr. Katharine B. Davis, commissioner of correction in New

York city, when she said:

'The appointment of a froman to the position of commiscioner of correction, of course, was a novelty, but I think one of the principal reasons which actuated the mayor when he made this appointment was the feeling that women are braver than men. We are not afraid to go out and say

institutions in New York city, and that we need to spend money to make them better."

It may be that the deplorable condition of many of the penal institutions of this country today are due mainly to the fact that men have scope, and that the men, because lack of bravery and vital human terests in this subject, have falled to do the things which the women un-doubtedly will do, now that they have turned their hand to this field of

Concerts Today By the U. S. Engineer Band, Gar-

field Park, at 7:30 p. m. FRANK J. WEBER, Leader. March, "Garland Entree" King

Overture, "Tempelweihe" (festival). Kelar-Bels (a) Song, "The Rose of the Moun-

Selection, "The Sunshine Girl," Waltz, "Operatic Melodies" ... Tobani Ballet Music and Soldiers' Chorus

from William Tell.....Rossini. "Reminiscences of the South," One-Step, "At the Ball, That's All"

"The Star-Spangled Banner." By the U. S. Soldiers' Home Band,

Bandstand, at 4 p. m. JOHN S. M. ZIMMERMAN. Leader.

March, "The National Emblem. Overture, "Knights Templar," Suite Characteristic, "Dwellers

of the Western World"... (1) The Red Man. (2) The White Man. (3) The Black Man.

Selection, "Sari".....

Tango Danza, "La Bella Argen-Medley Overture, "Remicks HitsLampe Finale, "Do You Take This Woman For Your Lawful Wife?" Von Tilzer

.Kalman

"The Star-Spangled Banner."

Gallaudet Alumai Will Hold Reunion Next Week

Alumni of Gallaudet College, 500 Alumni of Galaductic strong, are expected to arrive here Sunday to take part in the semi-centennial celebration which is to be held from Monday to Thursday. Although prevented by denfness and loss of speech from engaging in certain pro-fessions, the alumni of Gallaudet are following a large number of occupa-tions. Among the number are archi-tects, chemists, scientists, teachers, clergymen, editors, farmers, and real estate men.

Lining Edited by ARTHUR BAER.

agreed on a half-holiday each week Prices, however, will continue to get long without any vacation. As the lowest denomination of that

new issue of paper money is five dollars, guess we common people will be forced to journey to the Smithsonian in order to get a peep at them. The Cup defender Vanitio has a new

aunch named "Poozie," which is very ppropriate for a Cup defender. German custom of beheading con

lemned prisoners is barbarous. Why not put them on an ocean liner in

THE OLDEST INNAB SEZ "As yet, nobody has blamed th' ball team's slump on the Administration."

Transatiantic flight will be made via the Canarles. Return via Buzzards Bay.

Secretary of Labor Wilson states the ideal place for a tired city man to spend a vacation is in a Kansas wheat field, where the temperature is only about 120. Think tired city man prelers to mediate this question in cool of the evening, on one of our stylish roof gardens.

Instead of defending the golf and polo cups, we are now the challengers. Good. We've been defendants too long. et's challenge everything, starting

According to a G street jeweler's lock, Mexico City's time is an nour and a half slower than Washington's. Something wrong. Huerta is at least three jumps shead of ve

JUSTA MOMENT

DAILY STRENGTH AND CHEER. compiled by John G. Quinius, the Sunshine Man.

It is better only sometimes to be right han at all times to be wrong. Before resolve to do one thing or the other, must gain my confidence in my own ability to keep my resolves when they are made.-Lincoln.

A failure is, in a sense, the highway to success, inasmuch as every discovery of what is false leads us to seek samestly after what is true, and every fresh experience points out some form of error which we shall afterward carefully avoid.—John Keats.

No matter how much time you have wasted, begin today, this very hour, to accomplish. Never think you are too old. Age may indeed mean spectacles and stiff joints, but not a dimning of It you want knowledge, you must toil for it; if food, you must toil for it; and if pleasure, you must toil for it. Toil is the law. Pleasure comes through toil and not by self-indulgence and indolence. When one gets to love work, his life is a happy one.—Ruskin.

"He that loveth a book will never want a faithful friend, a wholesome counselor, a cheerful companion, an ef-fectual comforter. By study, by read-ing, by thicking, one may innocently divert and pleasantly entertain him-self, as in all weathers, so in all for-tunes."—Barrows

unes."-Barrows. Working because it is right to work-working to make the best of one's self-working because unfoldment to

good to all surroundi self means good to all surrounding— are the true incentive to enable man to accomplish purpose and to unfold godship within. Always there is work to do. Reward for doing what you ought to do is a fallacy of the past.— Floyd B. Wilson.

First Panama Tolls Paid. The first revenue to be derived from the Panama canal was reported yester day by the collectors. It was in the form of tolls on barge traffic begun on May 18, transporting cargoes of sugar because of congestion of freight traffic on the Pana railroad. The folls col-lected amounted to \$7,356,12, being fig ured on the basis of \$1.30 per net ton.



Pearl G. Platt "I won't!" said Pearl Gerfalcon Platt. Can you imagine Goops like that? She said it to her mother, too!

Which was a naughty thing to do. There is no uglier Word than "Won't" f you should want

Don't Be A Goople

to say it,-Don't!

The Silver Blames Ignorance For Present Ideals

Mrs. Dubois Appeals for Awakened Sense of Parental Responsibilities-Finds Womanhood Is Building New Structure on Wreckage of Worn-Out Traditions.

Mistakes of ignorance, due to a failure of parental responsibility, are blamed for low ideals of manhood in today's heart-to-heart talk by Mrs. Dubois.

To the question "What are we to do about it?" she replies that twentieth century womanhood is already building a new structure that will replace the pitiful wreckage from centuries of worn out traditions.

The feminist movement will wipe out the double standard and emphasize prevention rather than reconstruction. The fundamental principles underlying the conditions menacing the homes of the nation are being studied, and this in itself is one of the signs of a better understanding that promises a new manhood and a new womanhood By MRS. FRED T. DUBOIS

The public awakened to a new

First, they were startled that women from the sheltered sphere of life should be willing to go down to the segregated districts, and offer love, sympathy, and help to correct the mistakes made through ignor-ance, want, and misplaced affec-

losity." Then they listened in the

calls that were made by those who of curiosity seek ers, and they said They are well done." But many gave of their means to help the cause, and some bid Godspeed, re-

nbering the Magdalene, being made of prostitution. The Russell Sage Foundation has listed for distribution to all who will send for them bulletins by G. J. Knee'and on commercialized vice in New York. by Abraham Flexner on prostitution

in Europe.

"Genetics—A Study of Heredity," and others can be secured from our own dibrary in Washington. The National Vigilance Society, located in Chicago, is cataloging the matter printed along this line by all national bodies, and the best sign of the times is that men and women are studying the fundamental principles of the causes of conditions that threaten the homes of this nation.

Can It Be Done? Many have asked me, can it be reconstructed? Whenever I try to answer, it is with thoughtful consideration of the individual and with temerity of feeling. Yes, it can be done, but, oh, the cost! Kate Waller girl and woman problem along the line of misplaced affection and its inevitable outcome has been won by wide study and sacrifice said to me this winter. "It can be done, but it mears a life for a life."

It means a life for a life. I hav- reiterated it over and over, a life for a life. What a price to pay, for what, a moment of thoughtlessness, a moment of pleasure, a moment of ignorance.

For a cap and bells our lives we Bubbles we buy for a moment's tasking.

Tis only God that is given away.

To the Editor of THE TIMES:

There has been much in your paper

about Government clerks and their

claim for old age pensions. It would

Tis only Heaven can be had for the asking."

Truly Lowell has said it.

A few years ago a gentleman of
National prominence in Washing-ton told me this story:

Mistake of Ignorance. He was at Hot Springs, Ark., being treated for rheumatism. One day he had dropped to sleep in r sheltered alcove, where the heavy curtains were drawn. He was

the mistakes of the past through is norance.

One young man, in great trouble was confiding the seriousness of his disease to his friend. He said: "would not care, Frank, as I do, but oh, Mary loves me so, and wonders why I do not set the date for our wedding"—and the poor young man burst into tears—"you know how I love her. My God, better than life, and because of this, don't you see, I can not ruin my darling's life? I tell her after awhile, when I can give her more, we will be married, but she wants me. I can come here from time to time and be partially cured, but never wholly. It will kill her to know. What am I to do? In God's name, what am I to do?

The Answer of Wemankind They passed on out of hearing but the question before the nation is "in the name of innocent, help less humanity, What are we going

Twentieth Century womanhood is going to answer it, not wasting her glorious energy upon rece struction. She is going to build upon the piles of wreckage of past centuries of worn-out tradi wreckage made up of millions innocents of unborn, millions innocents born blind, crippled, Today, I say, the glorious young womanhood of the twentleth century is awakening to her responsibilities, and reaching out her strong young arms to her mate, she is crying for a realization of the ideal—and her mate is answering as he has always answered, and I do not fear the feminist movement—for the eternal womanly always draws us above.

who was to blame for the young man's cry-his parents and igno-

He never was taught to have faith in himself and a higher understand-ing of his powers.

IN THE TIMES MAIL BAG Communications to the Mail Bag must be written on one side of the paper

only; must not exceed 200 words in length, and must be signed with name Bag does not mean the indorsement by The Times of the opinions of the writer. The Mail Bag is an open forum, where the citizens of Washington may argue moot questions.

be a blessing at this time if such a measure could be adopted, but why to not the clerks do something to start that the United States Government about 300,000 or 400,000 employes. If und would then be or such proper tions to be used to retire many of the aged employes, and I have no doubt Congress would give substantial help. It is the only reasonable way this It is the only reasonable way this thing will ever be accomplished. We all know it would not be brathy for a Congressman to go back to his constituents after voting for a straight out civil pension for clerks. The man at the plow, at the anvil, or in the tactory would ask him to give an account of himself. We are all laborers alike, and as felicw-clerks should contribute to start this fund and help from Congress will soon follow.

The day of trouble is upon us. The sorrow of this present week is fresh in our memories, and the bitter sorsorrow of this present week is nessin our memories, and the bitter sorrow of those who have had to go, after years of faithful service is certar years of The report says: "Not tainly pathetic. The report says: a soldier or soldiers widow had to What of soldiers daughters? I

of one or two daughters of soldiers now in their graves who had to walk the plank. They, too, should have some consideration shown them. To the Editor of THE TIMES; To the Editor of THE TIMES;

As a Southern woman I wish to challenge 'Co'onel Watterson's lofty talk about the "chivairy" of men to women. Watterson's style is of the old, oratorical days, but now people want facts. The colonel gives them gab.

As a Virginian I can speak for one Southern State which has alway's boasted of its "chivairy," yet in which the status of woman is still that of "a drunkard, a lunatic, a criminal, and a child." If that is Watterson's chivairy, God pity his justice! In Virginia and

woman has no right to her own chil-dren, the husband alone has control over them, and he has the right even will away from her an unborn child if that be chivally, save the mark!

Watterson says "the bachelor woman is a calamity." I think there are thoube chivalry, again I say, God

sulting statement-and an insulting so-called "chivalry." There are in this land thousands of God's noblest womes living pure, single lives who are doing the finest work for their nation, supporting honestly not only themselves, but in many cases mothers, brothers, sisters and nieces. There are in this town at least twenty thousand single women earning a living and yet Watterson wants us to think that it is chivalrous to resemble. terson wants us to think that it is chivalrous to regard them as a "calamity." Surely the colonel needs treatment for his brain.

The very best argument for suffrage is the letter of Watterson—it shows how illogical, puerile and insulting to honest womanhood are the statements made by Antis.

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who will take issue with such an in-

What's on the Program in Washington

Meetings, evening: Masonic-Columbia Lodge, No. 3; Lebanon, No. 7, and East Gate, No. 34; Grand Chap-ter School of Instruction, Royal Arch; Co-lumbia Commandery, No. 2, and Martha Chapter, No. 4, Order Eastern Star. Knights of Pythias Syracusians, No. 16 feeting Gen. Leonard Wood Garrison, N

So, Army
p. m.
Benefit for Emergency Hospital Fund, Coevict Ship "Success," foot of Seventh street
9 a. m. to 10:30 p. m.
Concert, United States Engineer Band, Garneer, United States Engineer Band, Gardield Park, 7:30 p. m. Soncert, United States Soldiers' Home Bandstand, 4 p. m. and, i p. m. on. Association of Railway Surge-

National—"Rigoletto," 8:15 p. m. Columbia—"Tom Moore," 8:15 p. m. Poll's—"Baby Mine," 2:15 and 8:15 p. m. Keith's—Vaudeville, 2:15 and 8:15 p. m. evening. Crandall's-Photoplays, afternoon and even-

Glen Echo-All amusements, TOMORROW.

Meetings, evening:
Odd Fellows-Canton, Washington, No. 1,
Patriarchs Militant,
National Union-Joseph Henry Council.